



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Brad Woodhouse
American Democracy Legal Fund
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RE: MUR 6968
Tread Standard LLC, *et al.*

Dear Mr. Woodhouse:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated September 21, 2015, but was equally divided on whether to find reason to believe that the respondents violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. Accordingly, on May 8, 2018, the Commission closed the file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See* Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016), effective September 1, 2016.

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. *See* 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact Claudio J. Pavia, the attorney assigned to this matter, at cpavia@fec.gov or (202) 694-1597.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Shonkwiler", followed by a long horizontal line.

Mark Shonkwiler
Assistant General Counsel